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**From:** WTeramoto@doc.gov  
**Sent:** Monday, July 24, 2017 10:12 AM  
**To:** Kris Kobach  
**Cc:** Alexander, Brooke (Federal);Hernandez, Israel (Federal)  
**Subject:** Re: Follow up on our phone call

We can speak today at 230. Please let me know if that works. W

Sent from my iPhone

On Jul 21, 2017, at 4:34 PM, Kris Kobach <[kkobach@gmail.com](mailto:kkobach@gmail.com)> wrote:

Wendy,

Nice meeting you on the phone this afternoon. Below is the email that I sent to Secretary Ross. He and I had spoken briefly on the phone about this issue, at the direction of Steve Bannon, a few months earlier.

Let me know what time would work for you on Monday, if you would like to schedule a short call. The issue is pretty straightforward, and the text of the question to be added is in the email below.

Thanks.

Kris Kobach

(b) (5)

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From: **Kris Kobach** <[kkobach@gmail.com](mailto:kkobach@gmail.com)>  
Date: Fri, Jul 14, 2017 at 9:12 AM  
Subject: Follow up on our phone call  
To: [wross@doc.gov](mailto:wross@doc.gov)

Secretary Ross,

Kansas Secretary of State Kris Kobach here. I'm following up on our telephone discussion from a few months ago. As you may recall, we talked about the fact that the US census does not currently ask respondents their citizenship. This lack of information impairs the federal government's ability to do a number of things accurately. It also leads to the problem that aliens who do not actually "reside" in the United States are still counted for congressional apportionment purposes.

It is essential that one simple question be added to the upcoming 2020 census. That question already appears on the American Community Survey that is conducted by the Census Bureau (question #8). A slight variation of that question needs to be added to the census. It should read as follows:

**Is this person a citizen of the United States?**

- Yes, born in the United States**
- Yes, born in Puerto Rico, Guam, the U.S. Virgin Islands, or Northern Marianas**
- Yes, born abroad of U.S. citizen parent or parents**
- Yes, U.S. citizen by naturalization – Print year of naturalization \_\_\_\_\_**
- No, not a U.S. citizen – this person is a lawful permanent resident (green card holder)**
- No, not a U.S. citizen – this person citizen of another country who is not a green card holder (for example holds a temporary visa or falls into another category of non-citizens)**

Please let me know if there is any assistance that I can provide to accomplish the addition of this question. You may reach me at this email address or on my cell phone at (b) (5).

Yours,

Kris Kobach